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REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF

Policy Memo 14-25

ATZQ-CG

20 March 2014

MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION


SUBJECT: Commanding General's Policy on Sexual Assault

1. Sexual Assault is a crime that will not be tolerated. It is a threat not only to the safety and security of our force but to unit readiness as well. I am committed to ensuring all Soldiers, Civilian employees, and Family members live and work in an environment free of sexual assault. Every allegation of sexual assault will be thoroughly and professionally investigated. I charge all Commanders, Directors, leaders, supervisors, Civilians, and Soldiers to vigorously act to prevent and report sexual assault and establish a command climate and culture of mutual respect, trust, and safety. This policy applies to all U.S. Army Aviation Center of Excellence (USAACE) and Fort Rucker units, to include tenant units and activities.
2. Soldiers, Family members, and Civilians are encouraged to report sexual assault immediately. If a sexual assault occurs, go to a safe place and contact police. If uncomfortable with contacting law enforcement, call a SHARP Victim Advocate (VA), the Sexual Assault Response Coordinator (SARC), a Chaplain, the chain of command, a medical treatment facility, a friend, or the 24-hour Fort Rucker SHARP hotline at 334-470-6629.
3. Victims will be treated with sensitivity and compassion as well as the utmost dignity and respect. Commanders will implement plans to protect victims, witnesses, and alleged perpetrators from acts of reprisal.
4. Commanders will immediately notify the Criminal Investigative Division (CID) when they become aware of an allegation of sexual assault. They will also notify the SARC, higher-level command, and the Office of the Staff Judge Advocate (OSJA). Reports to higher level commanders will be consistent with USAACE Commander's Critical Information Requirements Guidance (dated 20 March 2014) and will contain only the basic information regarding the allegation of sexual assault. Personal identifiable information will not be included on CCIRs that involve a sexual assault. Within 8 days, a detailed written incident report must be provided to the Senior Mission Commander and the first O-6 and first General Officer in the chain of command of the victim and the perpetrator. Commanders will use the checklist at Enclosure 1 when an incident is suspected or occurs. The Commander will maintain the checklist and ultimately sign and forward a copy to the OSJA.

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5. The Commander of a Soldier accused of sexual assault will flag that Soldier immediately in accordance with AR 600-8-2, and suspend the Soldier's security clearance in accordance with AR 380-67. The Soldier will not PCS during the investigation.
6. All Soldiers and Department of the Army Civilians will receive training annually. The training will be conducted by a SARC or VA, using formal training packages.
7. This memorandum supersedes Policy Memo 13-25, dated 4 March 2013, and will remain in effect until changed or formally rescinded. It should be used by all commanders as their policy.
8. "Above the Best"



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